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fearlessly and with true independence.
One thought that hits squarely is:

"A real politician works for himself by doing real good for others."

Speaking of Booker Washington's cordial reception by Prince Henry, the Standard sizes it up this way:

"It is what Washington is actually doing for his unfortunate people that has

doing for his unfortunate people that has raised him to the foremost place in his race. After all, skin and color will count for little, when well outweighed by brains, deeds, honor and honestey."

P. W. Chavers is the editor and proprietor of the paper.

And now the Boston Guardian is ers. I am, as ever, "mad" at Rev. Charles S. Morris—just Fraternally because the eloquent young divine saw fit to sing a paean of praise to the achievements of Booker Washington. Morris has more sense in five minutes than the entire Guardian outfit will have in a life-time. Morris' article is wigorous—perhaps a trifle caustic in spots—but his opinion can be disputed without resort to billingsgate or to the tactics of the fishwife. Morris gets off ard's rise to eminence without recourse to official station. speaks of him as min-ister to nowhere and recorder of nothing and delegate-at-large to nary a national

Charles Satchell Morris can take care of himself, whether slinging a pen, preaching a sermon or-may it please the Guardian-selling African coffee.

The Indianapolis Recorder is a breezy publication which occupies a field practically all its own. It makes a specialty of Indiana State correspondence, covering every important city, and pays close attention to local politics. It is a thorn in the flesh of both of its older contemporaries, The Freeman and The World, and despite their united efforts to land on its solar plexus the Recorder goes on in the even tenor of its way, hewing to the line marked out. The cartoon feature recently inaugurated is making some happy hits, the Legislative contest being unusually clever. These cartoons are the work of a colored artist and all hands should be proud of him. Coorea P. should be proud of him. George P. Stewart is chief scribe on the Recorder.

#### HOWARD'S LAW SCHOOL.

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slightly above the middle of his class; the first was admitted to the Bar October murder, but is discharged after a brief 6, 1898, the second a year earlier; cash deliberation. The Negroes are natural receipts of the former from his first ly stirred up over the matter, and it is year's practice were \$821.65; second said the case will have a bearing upon year, \$025.50; second year, \$780.25; third sible, the manipulators of this gross year, \$950; fourth year, \$1,202.75. Not injustice as a lesson to future officers less encouraging is the example of a member of the class of '95, who received in cash from his practice for the year 1899, \$1,750; for 1900, \$2,010, and for 1901, \$3,390. Of the young man whose income of \$2,200 for his first year's property. income of \$53.00 for his first year's practice had grown in 1901 to \$1,807.75. Or of that Alumnus who reports that his cash income is only \$50.00 per month, but says that every cent which had come into his possession during his three years' practice had been acquired through honorable methods.

Perhaps a single letter in its entirety would afford the best illustration of the mature of the replies, and the liberty of publishing is therefore taken, it is hoped without offense to the writer of the

letter which follows: 313 St. Paul Street, BALTIMORE, MD., Nov. 23, 1901. WM. H. RICHARDS, Eso., 420 5th St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: Your favor asking information about

my professional income is before me, and I cheerfully give it, though under other circumstances I would hesitate to do so. I have taken account of every cent I have made since Oct. 21, 1894, and The Press Gang. my account for each year is an increase over the preceding year, except in one instance. This year has been, so far, the Last Saturday the Home News, a youthful applicant for favor, published at Alexandria, Va., by F. H. M. Murray and E. Hill, Jr., was six months old. Its news is fresh and the paper is neat typographically. The journal is a welcome visitor to our sanctum. sure, that with two or three exceptions, from their surroundings and the general sprightly sheet, and its news and society notes are full of ginger. It talks out fearlessly and with true independence.

One thought that hits same discount fearlessly and with true independence. schools. The colored lawyer here, who respects himself and attends to his business, has the respect of the Bench and Bar. He has done good service for the race in many ways that no other man could do. His bare presence here has done much in protecting the rights of many who would not commit their afmany who would not commit their af-

He has, however, passed the experimental stage, with positive assurance that hard study, steady application to his work, and fidelity to the interests of his clients will bring him in due season. his clients will bring him, in due season, all the rewards which our noble profession has in store for its faithful follow-

Fraternally yours,
W. Ashbie Hawkins.

The cash receipts of the seventy practitioners for the year 1901 aggregate \$94,570, and the average is \$1,351, but this is purely professional income and does not include receipts from other sources; for instance as where one of our graduates whose professional income last year was \$3,500, was paid tactics of the fishwife. Morris gets off \$1,500 for other employments which had a neat idea when referring to the Wiz- come to him as a result of his discipline and experience in the school and at the Bar; and another whose professional income in 1901 was only \$1,469, but he saved in fourteen years from his business as a real estate merchant \$40,000.

This is a creditable showing. But it can be truthfully said of the Howard

University Law Alumni as a body, that "their work is first, the fee second, and this is no small distinction." It is no small distinction to become a successful and respected member of an ancient and splendid order; to be an officer of the Court-to discharge a noble function of justice-to participate in the administra-

tion of government.

#### Justice Miscaries at Cincinnati.

The trial of a white policeman named Shaffer at Cincinnati illustrates how justice frequently miscarries when only a Negro's life is involved. A colored man, Charlie Crutchfield, was charged some months ago with having "insulted" a "white lady" somewhere in the tenderloin district of the Queen City. The hyperteners religence when City. The bumptious policeman shot the unresisting Negro, and inflicted a wound which caused death in a few days. By a judicial "hocus pocus" and a jury illegally drawn, the officer not only escapes conviction for cold-blooded 6, 1898, the second a year earner; cash deliberation. The Negroes are natural receipts of the former from his first ly stirred up over the matter, and it is year's practice were \$821.65; second said the case will have a bearing upon year, \$1,252.50; third year, \$1,419.25. the next city and county elections. Cash receipts of the latter for the first They are determined to defeat, if posyear, \$625.50; second year, \$780.25; third sible, the manipulators of this gross year, \$625.50; fourth year \$1,202.75. Not injustice as a lesson to future officers

The friends of 'the Colored American when wanting to purchase a copy of it will do it a great favor by calling on the nearest news stand and purchasing a copy. If the newsdesler does rot keek it, insist that he procure it for you This notice is written for the reason that many people, not only in Washington, but in other cities call at the office or write for copies of The American when the same can be had by going to the nearest news stand. Every news dealer keeps, or should keep The Colored American for sale.

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An order devoted to the interests of its members, both in their home and business relations. We offer you an opportunity for gilt edged business investment, in enterprises owned and controlled by the Order and managed by colored men, who are members of the Order.

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SUBORDINATE FOUNTAINS. To join the Subordinate For tain you must be between 14 and 16 years of age. You pay \$4.60 to \$6.60 (according to age,) as joining fee. If you live in the country you pay 35 cents per month as dues; if in the city, 50 cents per months. You pay as taxes 80 cents per month.

As Sick Benefits you receive from \$6 00 to \$9 00 per month, in weekly pay

As Death Benefit, your family receives \$75 0 if you die within a year After one year the Death Benefit is \$125.00

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To join the Rosebud Fountain you must be between and 14 year of age. You pay \$1.00, either cash or by installments. The monthly dues are either 15 or 25 cents as Fountains may decide. The annual tax is 10 cents, You receive as Sick Benefit from \$1.50 to \$4 00 per month,

in weekly payments.

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In the INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, there are Three Classes:—Class B, Class E, and Class M. All dues payable annually or quarterly.

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one year its value is \$500 to \$300.

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the same safeguards. The stock sells for \$5.00 a share to members, and pays 20 per cent, dividends. Both time and demand deposits are received and 4 per cent, interest is paid on time desposits. The following is a copy of the Cashier's report to Anditor of Public Accounts of Virgina at close of business Sept., 5, 1900 and shows its flourishing condition;—

RESOURCES,

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Losns and discounts	\$8,272	80	Capital stock paid in	88,125	
Other stock, bonds and mortgages	164 492	92	Surplus fund	80,957	
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Banking House	14.000	00	posit	96.786	29
Other real estates	99.588	00	Time certificates of deposit	118,424	74
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paid		00	Total	391,120	64
Specie, nickels and cents					
Paper currency					
Total	391,720	84			

The Reformer's Grocery and Feed Store is located at 501 North Sixth St., Richmond, Va., and members of the Order and the public generally are saved 20 per cent, on the cost of food products.

THE REFORMER is the newspaper published by the order from its own of fice in Richmond, Va. It stands for the voice of the people, representing cooperation and combination of the race and is the Beacon Light, the Headlight, the General Messenger and the General Agent of the Brotherhood. It is \$1.00 per year. A well-equipped job office bids for the work of the people, which is

per year. A wen-equipped job once bids for the work of the people, which is turned out in first class style and at low prices.

Six miles from Richmond, in Henrico County, Va., the Order has purchased 634 acres of land, and established thereou an "Old Folk's Home.', With unexampled liberality and broad-minded generosity, the Order does not limit entrance to this home to its members above, nor even to members families, but the doors are opened to the aged and decreped of the whole race, regardless of their alone, nor even to members families, but the residence or connections. The Order makes itself the trustee for this glorious charity, and calls upon the whole people, black and white, North, East, South and West to assist by their contribution the carrying out of this praiseworthy idea. April 3rd of each year is set apart as a Grend Rally Day for the Home Contribution as can be forwarded to the cashier of the Reformer's Savings Bank, who will send receipt for same and account for it to The Grand Fountain.

Members of the Order and the public, when visiting Richmond, Va, are invited to stop at The Hotel Reformer, 900 North Sixth St. It is in a pleasant and desirable location. Service is of the best and rates are feasonable. The Real Estate Department manages and controls all property interests o

the Order. The Order new owns 13 buildings, 4 farms, 4 dwellings, 1 ho with a fee simple value of \$132,500 Ir addition to these the Order leases buildings.
For any further information, address.

Wm. L TAYLOR, W. M. Master.

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